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Re the Application of:

BOSTOCK

Serial No.: 10/756,832

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(formerly 2962BD-1-1)

For: "SAFETY STIRRUP"

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

) Group Art Unit:

) Examiner:

) INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

<p style="text-align: center;">CERTIFICATE OF MAILING</p> <p>I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS BEING DEPOSITED WITH THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE AS FIRST CLASS MAIL IN AN ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS, P.O. BOX 1450, ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313-1450 ON <u>8-13-04</u>.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">SHERIDAN ROSS P.C.</p> <p>BY: <i>Janice Messer</i></p>
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Dear Sir:

The references cited on attached Form PTO-1449 are being called to the attention of the Examiner.

- ☒ Copies of the cited non-patent and/or foreign references are enclosed herewith.
- ☐ Copies of the cited U.S. patents and/or patent applications are enclosed herewith.
- ☒ Copies of the cited U.S. patents/patent application publications are not enclosed in accordance with the waiver dated July 11, 2003, whereby patent applications filed after June 30, 2003 and international applications that have entered the national stage under 35 U.S.C. § 371 after June 30, 2003 need not submit copies of U.S. patents and U.S. patent application publications.

☒ Copies of the previously cited foreign references are not enclosed, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98(d), because the references were submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in prior application Serial No. 10/048,078 filed May 29, 2002, which is relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. § 120.

☒ To the best of applicants' belief, the pertinence of the foreign-language references are believed to be summarized in the attached English abstracts and in the figures, although applicants do not necessarily vouch for the accuracy of the translation.

☐ Examiner's attention is drawn to the following co-pending applications, copies of which have been or are being submitted:

Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_

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It is respectfully requested that the cited information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application and the references made of record therein.

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<p><b>37 CFR 1.97(b):</b> No fee is believed due in connection with this submission, because the information disclosure statement submitted herewith satisfies one of the following conditions ("X" indicates satisfaction):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> Within three months of the filing date of a national application other than a continued prosecution application under 37 CFR 1.53(d), or</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Within three months of the date of entry into the national stage of an international application as set forth in 37 CFR 1.491 or</li><li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits, or</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Before the mailing of a first Office action after the filing of a request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114.</li></ul> <p>Although no fee is believed due, if any fee is deemed due in connection with this submission, please charge such fee to Deposit Account 19-1970.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p><b>37 CFR 1.97(e):</b> The information disclosure statement transmitted herewith is being filed after all the above conditions (37 CFR 1.97(b)), but before the mailing date of one of the following conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(1) a final action under 37 C.F.R. 1.113 or</li><li>(2) a notice of allowance under 37 C.F.R. 1.311, or</li><li>(3) an action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application.</li></ul> <p>This Information Disclosure Statement is accompanied by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> A Certification (below) as specified by 37 C.F.R. 1.97(e). Although no fee is believed due, if any fee is deemed due in connection with this submission, please charge such fee to Deposit Account 19-1970.</li></ul> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> Please charge Deposit Account 19-1970 in the amount of \$180.00 for the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.17(p) for submission of an information disclosure statement. Please credit any overpayment or charge any underpayment to Deposit Account 19-1970.</li></ul>

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**Certification (37 C.F.R. 1.97(e))**  
(Applicable only if checked)

☐ The undersigned certifies that:

☐ Each item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement. 37 C.F.R. 1.97(e)(1).

☐ A copy of the communication from the foreign patent office is enclosed.

OR

☐ No item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, and, to the knowledge of the undersigned after making reasonable inquiry, no item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was known to any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this statement. 37 C.F.R. 1.97(e)(2).

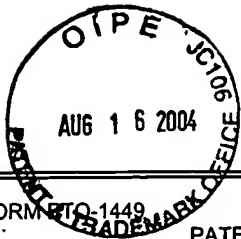
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## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	AA	6,698,169	03/2004	BOSTOCK	54	49	
	AB	5,826,413	10/1998	BOSTOCK ET AL.	54	49	
	AC	4,995,226	02/1991	KUHN, JR	54	49	
	AD	4,209,962	07/1980	FOREST	54	49	
	AE	3,910,015	10/1975	EBEJER	54	49	
	AF	1,622,510	03/1927	HENDRIKS	54	49	
	AG	1,480,314	01/1924	SZYMANSKI	54	49	
	AH	1,392,673	10/1921	BAKER	54	47	
	AI	1,321,653	11/1919	LUTTINGER	54	49	
	AJ	1,314,992	09/1919	WALLIS	54	49	
	AK	1,276,540	08/1918	KALL	54	49	
	AL	1,111,731	09/1914	BOYD ET AL.	54	49	
	AM	1,104,216	07/1914	OSTWALD	54	49	
	AN	1,088,552	02/1914	DOLAN	54	49	
	AO	1,025,824	05/1912	MYERS	54	49	
	AP	1,000,782	08/1911	COX	54	49	
	AQ	975,164	11/1910	SAMSON	54	49	
	AR	932,574	08/1909	PUTNEY	54	49	
	AS	908,265	12/1908	IVEY	54	49	
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	AV	887,510	05/1908	PARKS	54	49	
	AW	877,062	01/1908	EASTERWOOD	54	47	

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	BB	499,283	06,1893	CRONE	54	49	
	BC	445,411	01/1891	PEARSON ET AL.	54	49	
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	BE	396,179	01/1889	TAYLOR	54	47	
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	BG	341,987	05/1886	ALLEN	54	49	
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	BJ	163,120	05/1875	WAGGONER	54	49	
	BK	49,103	08/1865	GOULD	54	49	
	BL	29,953	09/1860	CLARK	54	47	
	BM	D429,389	08/2000	BOSTOCK	D30	142	
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	BT	D292,628	11/1987	RACINA	D30	142	
	BU	D125,436	02/1941	TALBERT	D30	142	
	BV	D32,254	02/1900	GOODMAN	D30	142	

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	BY	AU 199539191 A1	10/101/1996	AUSTRALIA	B68C 003	02	X	
	BZ	AU 199062109 A1	03/07/1991	AUSTRALIA	B68C 003	02	X	
	CA	AU 1985539229 A1	09/05/1985	AUSTRALIA	B68C 003	02	X	
	CB	2,183,437	06/10/1987	UNITED KINGDOM	B68C 003	02	X	
	CC	DE 3934810	10/18/1990	GERMANY	B68C 003	00		
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	CG	AU-A-62109/90	03/07/91	AUSTRALIA				
	CH	AU-A-65521/99	07/06/00	AUSTRALIA				
	CI	AU-B-39191/95	10/10/96	AUSTRALIA				
	CJ	AU-B-39229/85	09/05/85	AUSTRALIA				

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